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Happy 100th birthday, Mabel Didrickson!
Former Sitka Pioneer Home employee, current Anchorage Pioneer Home resident becomes a centenarian

ANCHORAGE — Family and friends of Mabel Didrickson joined Anchorage Pioneer Home staff to celebrate her 100th birthday today. For a photo and more information on her life, visit http://hss.state.ak.us/dalp/anchorage/centenarian.htm. For a high resolution photo, go to http://hss.state.ak.us/dalp/anchorage/aphimages/mabel_didrickson_2.8mg.jpg.

Didrickson joins four other centenarians in the six Alaska Pioneer and Veterans Homes around the state. The homes are part of the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services. For a photo and more information on her life, visit www.hss.state.ak.us/dalp.

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